

NHAFP Meeting Minutes July 17, 2019

Members present: Joann Buonomano, MD; Gary Sobelson, MD; Amy Schneider, MD; Lou Kazal, MD; Paula Leonard- Schwartz, MD; Greg Thesing, MD; Marie Ramas, MD; Angela Yerdon-McLeod, DO;Mary Cullen, DO; Stephen Bishop, MD; Hilary Alvarez, MD; Maria Boylan, DO; Cowan Stark, MD; Catrina Watson; On the phone: Polina Sayess, MD; Javier Cardenas, MD, P. Travis Harker, MD, MPH; Melissa Duxbury, MD; Guest: Julianne Barrett, MD; Heidi Robins

Meeting called to order at 6:28 pm.

Review Minutes. Motion to accept. Motion passed.

Introductions

Treasurer's Report: \$86,658.27, cd \$29,835.71, budget update submitted. Motion to approve. Motion passed.

Resident Update: New resident rep is Stephen Bishop, MD. New OB track started in 2nd year. All female residency this year. Many of the graduates returned to Canada.

FMIG Update: Planning a skills night and wilderness medicine medical education event. A suturing clinic was held with Maine Medical. 9 students will attend Kansas City conference this year.

CME Committee: One confirmed speaker for drowning prevention. Conference will be at MVG May 1-3.

Legislative Update: Many bills are just sitting. Anti-women's health bills- defeated Cannabis bills-defeated Gun legislation-pending

Meet the candidates- NHMS First in Nation Primary- great FP presence. Great opportunity to hear their plans for healthcare.

NHAFP has neve taken an official position on abortion. NHMS has a position on legislation not interfering with the doctor patient relationship.

Old Business:

More communication with members- maybe 1 page newsletter- monthly or quarterly? Other ideas are podcasts, social media. Each Board member could be responsible for one blog a month.

NH received a Health Equity Grant from AAFP; The Everyone Project. We could use this understand access and resource availability and to disseminate information to the state. First meeting of grantees will be held next month.

New Business:

Resolution discussion. 4 potential resolutions to present at COD. Lou will talk to Doug Henley.

One of our alternate delegates cannot attend COD this year.

Motion to have Catrina to contact AAFP to find out how to send a substitute without violating AAFP rules.

Motion passed.

Our bylaws need to be amended, as there is no mechanism for choosing a temporary replacement delegate or alternate delegate.

We have three people currently interested in attending as an alternate delegate substitute.

We will offer the observer reimbursement as well.

NCCL Update: Very intense 3 days. 100 resolutions submitted. Great opportunity.

NHAFP rep to NHMS Council- we have two seats and currently only one is filled. A review of our bylaws confirms that we do not need to elect a rep at the annual meting.

Role of Secretary. Minute taking task will be returned to the secretary.

Website design discussion. Catrina to get multiple quotes. Site must be user friendly and have online registration capabilities.

Motion to adjourn 8:41 pm. Motion passed.

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